

GAS DEBENTURES SELL FOR NINETY-FIVE

Telegram Read From Burgess & Co., Toronto Accepting Offer Also Hospital Bonds At Same Price, But Town Refuses Later Offer.

At the regular meeting of the Town Council held last Monday a telegram was read from Burgess & Co. of Toronto, accepting the town's offer of 95 for the gas debentures. They also offered 95 for the hospital bonds, which was refused. They have been given an option until March 7th at par.

Among the estimates for this summer work is one calling for 2500 feet of plank side-walks. It will certainly be a great improvement.

The town has about the department of Indian Affairs for a section of land adjoining the town, but have been advised that they must deal with the Indians themselves. The Parks Commission have been proposed to try and arrange matters with the Indians and pick out the land they want.

C. T. Mitchell was awarded the contract for delivering coal to the pumping station at \$4.25 a ton. The John Galt Engineering Co. have made an offer to the town for \$850 for a complete survey in connection with the sewerage extension.

The C. P. R. refuse to give the title to the 30 acres that was bought some time ago for the sewerage plant. They want the town to sign an agreement to the effect that it will transfer use of the land to the sewerage plant but the one already stated: The mill has been placed in the city solicitor's hand for disposal.

Now that the gas debentures have been accepted, the town intends to advertise in the evening papers for competent outside to come out and start drilling at once. The meeting was adjourned until next Monday night.

WINNINGTON

Mr. Oranger has returned to his claim after an extended visit in Idaho.

C.P.R. surveyors are camped on Mr. Hobbins' land near Vinton.

Sam Hymnman was in Brooks last week on a purchasing trip.

James Fynden was in Youngstown last week and secured a pre-emption at the land office. Jimmie will be in our midst for 3 years more.

Mr. Cronle was in Brooks on Thursday and filed on a pre-emption.

Mr. Crawford had the misfortune to freeze his feet during the cold weather and is laid up. The writer of this pamphlet of pertinacity can sympathize to a certain extent, as the lack of our right to a pre-emption, for a few days, resembled a toy balloon, due to a frost bite. But it's all in the game.

The Ladies were out on the U.E.A. dance in the East Berry School on Feb. 20th, and the thirty odd housewives who turned the event into a stag dance. The enjoyment reigned supreme. Mr. Cotterill, in a fine voice rendered "Where is my art tonight?"

W. I. Brown has returned from the military training course. He returns a blooming Corporal.

The "Wise Acres" are predicting an early spring. There's no harm talking about it any way.

Free pre-emption will help some. The cash can be saved and put into improvements, but the residence rule is a long haul as it defers a man building his place about 7 months to engage in value producing business.

Mr. Dela and Mr. Pelchier have returned from Vulcan.

J. Craig was in Youngstown last week.

Mrs. R. D. Hall was entertained by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church at the home of Mrs. Dahler, last Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Hall leaves with her husband for Red-bell this week, where she will make her home in the future.

Britain Will Wait For Opportunity To Exact Reparation from Mexico

London, March 29.—Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, made an important statement on the Mexican situation in the house of commons today. In reply to a question as to the investigation into the death of William S. Benson, the British ranchman, Sir Edward said:

"I must ask leave of the house to make a somewhat more extended statement than can properly be compressed within the limits of an answer to questions."

All the efforts that have been made hitherto have failed to secure an investigation into the facts respecting the death of William S. Benson.

"The persistent difficulties put in the way of such an investigation create the strongest presumption of a crime and an intention to conceal the truth on the part of those in Mexico who are responsible for what has happened."

STILL COMMUNICATING

"Communications with the government of the United States are still proceeding, but I would repeat what I said last week, that these communications do not imply that the government of the United States has any responsibility for what has taken place by which I mean, of course, the death of Benson."

"While therefore, we shall welcome any action that the United States is prepared to take to secure justice, we have no wish to demand as a right that the United States should consent to the use of force."

"One can only demand that another government should go to all lengths to secure reparation for a crime only when one holds that government is some way responsible for the commission of the crime."

"So far the United States has shown at least as much interest in the death of Benson of a British subject as it has in the case of the outrage on American citizens—for I understand that several Americans have been killed in Mexico. And the United States has been very busy."

"The fact that the United States has been so busy in the case of the territory controlled by the constitutionalists."

SUMS UP SITUATION

"I would therefore, sum up the situation by saying that if the United States thinks it proper to take further steps on behalf of its own citizens or of a British subject we will gladly wait the result. But if for reasons of its own, the United States does not think it desirable to take such steps, we must of course reserve to ourselves the right to secure reparation whenever it is in our power to do so."

"Our general policy towards Mexico and the central and South American Republics is confined to commercial interests which we keep within non-political limits. As a rule, therefore, all questions that arise between those republics and ourselves are settled by diplomatic means or can be referred to arbitration."

"But the violent death of a British subject and the refusal of those in Mexico to allow the circumstances to be investigated make it incumbent on us to do what we can on our own behalf."

PRISONER GETS OFF; SUSPENDED SENTENCE

Owing to His Youth and Previous "So Called" Good Conduct He Is Let Go.

Joe Provost, who was arrested early Sunday morning, charged with being in possession of stolen goods, was let out on suspended sentence by Dr. Haggay, and John Morden, both justices of the peace of the town. The case for the defence was ably handled by J. S. Maxor of Burns & Mavor.

It seems Provost annexed some fowl earlier in the evening and hid them in Flanagan's coal box at the rear of his store. About 10.30 Mr. Flanagan went out to get some coal and discovered the fowl tucked away in one corner of the premises on the chance that somebody would come to claim the property. About 12.40 a.m. Provost was seen creeping along the alley. He got as far as the coal box, then leaped over and grabbed the fowl. Constable Snow, who was on watch at the time, immediately told him to throw up his hands, instead of which Provost dropped the goods and started to run. Snow fired a shot in the air, which convinced the man that discretion was the better part of valor. He immediately surrendered and was put under arrest.

The fact that Provost was turned loose on suspended sentence goes to show that it is very hard for the police to get a decision here in town. In fact, there was a time when it was almost impossible. Take three different cases as examples: one of them was a man charged with vagrancy. He was given some hours to get out of town. Then take another case. A man was arrested for highway robbery with assault. He pleaded guilty and yet the case was dismissed. And there's yet another. A man was charged with being in possession of poisons without a medical prescription. This man also pleaded guilty but was dismissed.

The above cases only go to prove that it is very hard for the police to do their duty here in town, and get any credit for it. They get absolutely encouragement from the local magistrates.

"Assuming that the United States does not itself desire to take any responsibility for intervention, it has been urged upon me that we should take immediate action without, however, giving me any suggestion as to the merits of the case."

"I must repeat what I said last week—that there is nothing we can do under present conditions."

CANNOT SEND FORCE

"The government in Mexico City has no control over the territory where the death of Benson took place nor over those responsible for his death. We cannot, therefore, under the present circumstances, secure reparation through that government."

"We have no intention of engaging in such a fantastic attempt as the sending of a force—which, to be effective, would have to be a very large force—into any part of Mexico."

"Under ordinary circumstances we might have taken action at a point on the border of Mexico, but by way of blockade. Under present circumstances, if we took action and it had any effect it could only result in giving assistance to the contending party in north Mexico."

"To take action that would positively help those from whom we demand reparation simply for the sake of appearing to do something would be worse than futile."

"But we do not intend to let the matter rest as it is and as soon as by any change of circumstances it is in our power to carry the matter further, we will take whatever steps may be practicable."

Mr. J. Benoit returned on Monday last, after an extended visit to his old home, Antigonish, Nova Scotia.

James Snow, who has been allowed two months leave of absence from the police force, left Monday night for his farm across the Red Deer.

Frank O'Brien the well known contractor was in town this week, visiting his old friend and one time partner, Jack Worth. Mr. O'Brien is on his way to Golden, B.C., where he has 50 miles of work on the Kootenay Central.

Mr. Macgregor informs us that the votes are very thick on the Red Deer. Mr. Davis lost ten calls, while Tom Evans and H. Bell each lost a shilling. Peter Smith is patrolling the country around the river in the hope of catching some of them. There is a reward of \$10 for each wolf killed.

BOARD TO TENDER COLORADO FARMERS A BIG BANQUET

Visitors Are to be Treated Royally By Both the Board of Trade and Their Wives.

ARE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE ABOUT MARCH 10

President John S. Mavor, of the Board of Trade, has announced that the Board in connection with the wives of the members, will extend a royal welcome to the Colorado settlers, who are expected to arrive here about the 7th instant.

SCHOOL REPORT

Total number of marks Grade VIII. 310—Marie Wyatt, 383; Bessie Thomas, 247; John Claxton, 242; Viola Mills, 241; Gladys Wyatt, 210; Gertrude Bartlett, 207; and Harry Bennett, 143.

Total number of marks Grade VII. 300—Elaine McCormick, 357; Frank Waldmann, 350; Mae Bennett, 326; Doris Bramley, 250; May Bramley, 211; Leon Richardson, 208; Ivan Pierce, 196; Archie Ferguson, 156; John Roberts, 150; Albert one exam; Kathryn Carlin, 110; Charlotte Bond, 105; Albert one exam; Ethel Tillington, 84; and Randolph Newman, 68.—M. M. Golden, teacher.

Honor roll, Grade V.—Nola King, Norah Houghton, Walter Bond, Dorothy Mitchell, Elaine Bonnar, Leslie Mills, and Archie Harris.

Honor roll, Grade III.—Selma Amundson, Alice Haggay, Alice Marquardt, Leo Allen, Bessie Bonnar, Harry Marquardt and Emily Emil.—L. Doolan, teacher.

Grade VIII.—Gertrude Bartlett, Viola Mills, Marie Wyatt, Gladys Wyatt, Bessie Thomas and John Claxton.

Grade VII.—Elaine McCormick, May Bramley, Doris Bramley, Mae Bennett, Ivan Pierce, Archie Ferguson, Waldmann—M. M. Golden, teacher.

Grade V.—Elaine Bonnar, Lizzie Cowger, Norah Houghton, Nola King, Dorothy Mitchell and Leslie Mills.

Grade III.—Selma Amundson, Bessie Bonnar, Alice Haggay, Alice Marquardt, Leo Allen, Robert Hennessy, Harry Marquardt and Gerald McNutt.—L. Doolan, teacher.

Grade II.—Clifford Finley, Laura Hill, Helen Thompson, Stephen Johnson, Franklin King, James Mitchell, John McNutt, Raymond Walters, Allan McCormick, Willis Walter, John Mitchell, and E. Rogers, teacher.

Grade I.—Marie Destaly, Viola King, Doris Gray, Leon Desharnais, Doris Finley, Teddy Shoop, Charles Walsh, Pearl Lyman, Thomas Lyman, Irvin Gullette, Roy Emil, Kenneth Kimberling, Coletha Kimberling, Robert McComb, Mary McComb, Arthur Bennett, Garrett Destaly, Thelma Hill, James English and Nellie Walker.—J. Tullock, teacher.

Just arrived—a large amount of D & A Corns and Bannock Cornet Wines at Hendry & Johnston.

The executive of the board held an important meeting on Thursday evening, February 25, and many matters affecting the welfare of the town were discussed. The main subject dealt with was the manner of entertaining the new comers from Colorado.

The executive was unanimously of opinion that the welcome should take the form of a dinner to be tendered their on the evening of their arrival, and it was decided to hold the dinner at Robinson's hall, Mr. W. J. Robinson having very kindly offered the hall for that purpose.

A committee composed of President Mavor, Vice-President J. M. Webster, Secretary McLean and Messrs. Purcell and Murdoch, was appointed to make all necessary arrangements.

The wives of the members have been invited to co-operate with the board in extending the strangers a hearty welcome, and needless to say, the ladies have expressed their willingness to do everything possible to make the affair a success. They have already been busy preparing the dinner, and preparations are about completed.

It is expected that the guests of the evening will number about 100, including five officials of the C. P. R.

A good after dinner program of music and speeches has been prepared. The principal speakers will be the C. P. R. officials, President Mavor, Mayor Pierce, and members of the council.

The indications are that the dinner will be a great success, and that the strangers will receive a welcome in every way worthy of Bassano's well known hospitality.

Between a half-baked optimist and a kiln-dried pessimist, which would you choose?

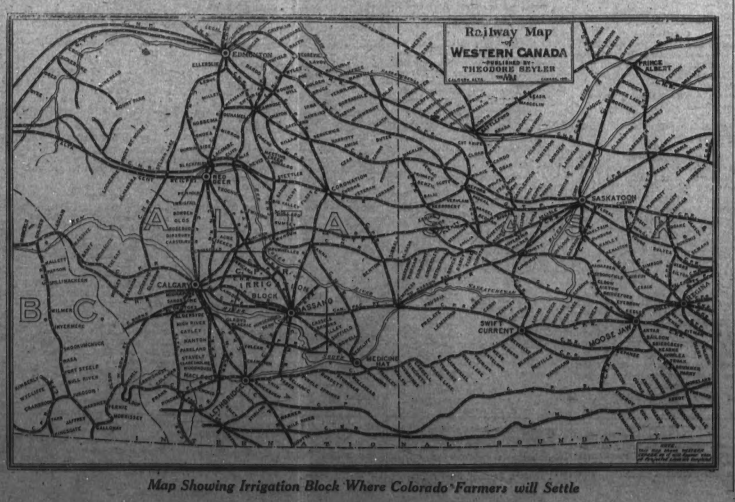
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BASSANO, ALBERTA, THURSDAY, MARCH 27th, 1914

Pull Together

Under the new management, the "Mail" proposes to be the people's paper first, last and always. It will fight the battles of the people even though at times it will sacrifice its own interests by so doing. If the people have anything to say that will be for the general well-being of the community, we want them to use our columns, in fact we will be glad to receive communications and general news of interest to all.

We believe that Bassano is the best town of its size in Canada, and that before long it will be one of the largest cities in Alberta. All that is needed is "Pull Together." We have a live Board of Trade who are giving time and thought to matters affecting the well-being of the town. The "Mail" asks one and all to put a hand to the wheel and help this Board. We believe in our town, we believe in her public spirited citizens, irrespective of politics. Anything for the advancement of its interests will have our hearty support.

We thank our friend of the "News" for his kindly words of welcome, and hope that even though at times we may not be able to see eye to eye on certain questions, we will still preserve this kindly feeling towards each other.

We know that we have the best stores, hotels, churches and the best looking girls in Canada.

In conclusion, we are going to do our part towards the up-building of a bigger, brighter and cleaner Bassano, and ask all to join us in doing this good work.

Justice Up To Date

A decision was rendered in the local Police Court this week by Dr. Hager which was a surprise to the prisoner and the public in general.

Isn't it about time the Local Government appointed a Police Magistrate?

This thing of letting a prisoner off on suspended sentence is getting to be too much of a good thing.

If a man is arrested for disorderly conduct, he is fined five dollars and costs which go to the Local

Government, but, if a man is convicted on a criminal charge, he gets suspended sentence. The town pays through the nose in either case.

We have got to keep a proficient police force, and yet, when constables catch a man for house and catch him with the goods, and he is arrested for the stealing of those goods, a wretched J.P. gives him suspended sentence.

Why can't we get an unprejudiced Magistrate here in town? One who will administer justice regardless of report or politics.

If the City have a case and ask the City Solicitor to defend them, he charges say about \$20, whereas, if they have a case of drunkenness and fine the defendant say \$8, that goes to the Government.

What does the City get for keeping up the police force and looking after law and order.

Getting Near Home

The Editor received a letter the other day that worried him until he had reached the end of it.

We consider it so appropriate under the circumstances that we have decided to reproduce it in full.

New York

Feb. 26th, 1914

Dear Tim:

I hate to write this letter for fear of annoying you, but the time has come when I must ask your advice and judgement on a very serious question, the contemplation of which, has caused me long nights of restlessness and worry.

You will understand my writing you regarding a matter of so much importance when I tell you that many hours have been used by similar troubles.

Still I feel that you should know the worst at once for in all sincerity it may mean a future to me. I dare not tell the state of my mind to any of my friends except you for they are not to be relied upon always, so in my trouble I can only go to you.

I know I am asking a great deal of you, but for friendship's sake tell me, from the fullness of your heart, if Jeff will ever be as tall as Matt.

Sincerely Yours

A FEW TRUTHS

Man is made of dust, dust settles, be a man.

Track laying is to start at once, or at least we will take it for granted that it is, by the number of men and C.P.R. choicemen that were circulating around town the first part of the week.

The water rate is liable to soar heavenwards this month if the fish department of "Stiles" Drug Store keeps on selling gold fish at the rate they are now.

The Bassano Time Table

GOING WEST	
No. 313	10:37 a.m.
No. 314	10:41 a.m.
No. 315	10:45 a.m.
GOING EAST	
No. 4	12:31 p.m.
No. 516	10:40 a.m.
No. 14	7:10 a.m.
BASSANO LOCAL	
Leaves Bassano	Wednesdays and Fridays at 3:00 p.m.
Arrives	Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 17:30.
HUTTON STAGE	
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DORRITY STAGE	
Wednesdays and Saturdays at 7 a.m.	

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J. H. Stiles, the druggist has arranged with the Mail to co-operate with him in presenting you with this handsome instrument.

See paragraph of instructions below and find out exactly what you have to do, and if there is any misty point see Stiles and he will explain it.

THIS PIANO IS A MAGNIFICENT UPTON GRAND

Contest Open Mon. Nov. 24



Contest Closes Eve. May 23

Description of Piano

The piano has 7 1/2 octaves, repeating action, three pedals, full iron frame covering wrest plank, and built up pin block of five different layers of hard maple, direction of grain alternating in successive layers to prevent to the greatest possible extent, the Piano getting out of tune.

The three strings in unison with over string bass, splendidly pitched scale and excellent sounding board, produce the rich, deep, even tone peculiar to the Upton Piano, and so much striven for by manufacturers of high-class instruments. The brackets, pedal guards, hammer rail, and continuous hinges are all heavily nickel-plated. The case itself is highly polished, making a first-class artistic instrument in finish, appearance and tone.

By comparison this Piano will be found better, heavier and more artistic than most pianos on the market today. Each instrument is fully warranted.

Manufacturers' Warranty

The above Piano is warranted to give perfect satisfaction for a period of ten years, provided it is not exposed to extremes of heat, cold, wet or dampness.

Rules of the Game

1. Name of contestant will not be known.
2. Name of contestant will not be published.
3. Every contestant is credited with 2000 votes to start with.
4. Every contestant gets a number.
5. Standing of contestants' number published weekly.
6. All votes must be brought in for recording on Wednesday.
7. Votes must not be written upon.
8. Tie votes in packages with the contestant's number and the amount on top slip only.
9. Color of votes will change and must be recorded weekly.
10. Votes are transferable only before recording.
11. Contestant having the largest amount of votes on May 23, wins the Piano.
12. Contestants not bringing in personal votes will be dropped.

Be Sure and Ask for Your Piano Votes With Every Purchase.

☞ Cut out this coupon and present it at J. H. Stiles' Store, and he will exchange it for two hundred votes in the \$400 Piano Contest. :: ::

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Also if you have lost or found something—if you have anything for sale—if you want help, etc. USE OUR WANT AD COLUMN.

Miscellaneous

Read this column carefully. There may be something you want in it, and can get at bargain prices.

IMPORTANT: Will the party who telephoned an ad. in a lost ring kindly communicate with the MAIL, and he will hear something to his interest.

LOST:—Gold signet ring with monogram—inscription inside. Finder will be rewarded on delivery to "Mail" office.

Help Wanted

Good man around stock would like location near town. Three had years of experience with horses and cattle.
E. West, General Delivery, Bassano, A.B.

WANTED:—Contract, backing, stables, plumbing, electric, heating, etc., for engine outfit, W.J. Shaffer, Cavalry Corps.

FOR SALE:—Genuine gold trim new seed coats—two new Swedish varieties—heavy yielders and very hard seed unbroken by early frost. Particulars, samples and prices upon application to:
H. Van Grondt,
Tilley Station, Alta.

For Sale

3 Acre Block, close to town \$1000.—\$1250 cash, balance over three years.
Phone 120 TRAVIS & CO. Bassano

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will not be responsible for any goods delivered to his employees without written authority.
J. McIlroy,
General Contractor.

For Sale

31 foot lot in Block 10, 5th Avenue E. \$400
\$100 cash, balance within two years.
Apply Box 70 Bassano

Wanted

TO RENT, furnished house of five or six rooms until next fall. Apply Box 57

In the District Court of the District of Calgary



In the matter of the estate of Robert Simpson McCaughey, Late of the Town of Bassano, in the Province of Alberta, Farmer, Deceased:

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the estate of the late Robert Simpson McCaughey, who died on the 23rd day of October, A.D. 1913, are requested to send to Mrs. Gertrude Dell McCaughey, executrix of Bassano, in the Province of Alberta, on or before the 20th day of April, A.D. 1914, a full statement of their claims and any securities held by them, duly verified, and that after that date, the said executrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been filed with the said Mrs. Gertrude Dell McCaughey, the executrix of the said estate.

Deed at Bassano, this 27th day of February, A.D. 1914.

(Signed) Gertrude Dell McCaughey
By Mrs. & Mary
Executors for the said executrix

NOTICE**DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP**

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between us the undersigned, as partners and plumbers in the City of Medicine Hat, and in the Town of Bassano has been, this day dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to the said partnership at Medicine Hat are to be paid to Joseph J. Richards, and all debts owing to the said partnership at Bassano are to be paid to William Ross, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said Joseph J. Richards at Medicine Hat by whom the same will be settled.

Dated at Bassano, this first day of February, A. D. 1914.
E. J. Richards
Wallace L. Plamann

Heard on the Street

Mr. B. T. Terry was in Calgary for a few days this week, en route.

Passing Most C's into two delivery. Phone 145.

Mr. Sam Hobbs made a business visit to Calgary this week.

Watch Bassano Meat Market window Saturday morning.

Mr. H. S. Johnson has been appointed Assistant to the well known and popular Sheriff's Hall, A. A. MacIntyre.

At Purcell's the finest range of boys' ready made suits ever shown in town. Fit and workmanship guaranteed. Price the lowest. Call and inspect.

Mr. H. V. Harbour is a frequent visitor to town these days. Mr. Harbour is Assistant Divisional Engineer of the C.P.R., Construction Dept., and is here as though work was to start in the near future.

Just received—a large shipment of boys' suits in blue serge, grey and brown tweed and worsted and Moscovy pants. Prices from \$3.50 to \$8.00. See window display. E. E. Pringle.

Mr. N. D. Ferguson, while drilling a well at Hudson, struck gas at 150 feet. Gas is flowing and burning at the present time through a 6 inch pipe.

If you have not called at the Smith & Cooper Implement House and looked over that new Ford Car it is time to do so. These are the strongest body and better than, and the price is \$100 less. c-21

Mr. H. Graham spent Sunday in Calgary.

At Polley's Market customers can have their Hamburg steaks made a little they wish.

Mr. E. F. Proulx spent a couple of days in Calgary this week en route.

Office to Rent

ON 2ND AVENUE E., also several good houses for rent or sale, cheap.
Phone 120 TRAVIS & CO. Bassano

Jack Torgan

"The Tailor"

Begs to announce that he is now ready for business.

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Renig, and you need a loan.

If you never tell what you have to sell.

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Piano Vote Special No. 7

Next Week

March 9th to 14th

we will give

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It will pay you to come into our Store and see our Wednesday

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All kinds of Excavating

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PHONE 127

Third Avenue

TO THOSE IN THE PIANO RACE

To add incentive and impetus to the contest for the handsome Upton Piano, being given away by J. H. Stiles, we beg to announce that we have made provision for the issuing of a series of Due Bills, which carry votes when bought and votes when traded.

We have printed a neat certificate, of fifty cent denomination, which when purchased will give the contestant five hundred votes.

It can be made to apply later either in the purchase of subscriptions, job printing or advertising, and will carry a further five hundred votes when so traded in. In reference to subscriptions it means that each subscription of one year, will be worth 4000 votes.

There is no limit to the due bills, candidates or their friends may purchase.

The standing below shows that the contest is beginning to awaken widespread interest as we predicted, and it behoves everyone to put all their energy into the struggle.

STANDING OF CONTESTANTS 14th WEEK

NO. 1. 814,590.	NO. 17. 1,028,905
22. 753,850.	24. 1,457,210
38. 1,003,650.	40. 1,004,515
42. 998,125.	44. 1,062,265
47. 1,409,065.	49. 843,885
55. 1,588,875.	56. 616,810
58. 596,845.	64. 1,005,805
68. 1,016,195.	75. 1,014,010
80. 955,460.	84. 1,004,770
87. 30,740.	88. 600,710
90. 22,575.	91. 6,135
92. 35,570.	93. 592,465
94. 1,258,600.	27. 853,570
83. 961,205.	95. 918,940

See your friends and get them to purchase Due Bills from the "Mail" in anticipation of the printing stationery they will be needing soon.

The subscription getter is the one who is the factor in this contest. You can procure Due Bills that will apply on subscription and are invaluable for votes.

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